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SUBJ: SIT-IN AT GERMAN OBSERVER'S OFFICE

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR
REVIEWED BY MC/MA DATE 3.13.81
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ENDORSE EXISTING MARKINGS ☐
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FOIA or FOI EXEMPTIONS

1. JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE STAGED SIT-IN FEB 19 IN CORRIDOR OUTSIDE GERMAN OBSERVER'S OFFICE, 56TH FLOOR, CHRYSLER BLDG, NEW YORK CITY. BOTH PLAINCLOTHES AND UNIFORMED NEW YORK CITY POLICE WERE PRESENT ON 56TH FLOOR TO HANDLE DEMONSTRATORS. GROUP WHICH NEVER EXCEEDED TWELVE WERE NOISY BUT OTHERWISE ORDERLY.

2. AT APPROXIMATELY 9:30 AM DOZEN MEMBERS JDL GATHERED IN LOBBY CHRYSLER BLDG REQUESTING PERMISSION PRESENT PETITION TO GERMAN AMB. TWO INDIVIDUALS WITH PETITION WERE RECEIVED ON 56TH FLOOR BY MEMBER GERMAN OBSERVER'S OFFICE. THESE TWO REMAINED IN CORRIDOR OUTSIDE OFFICE AFTER PRESENTING PETITION AND WERE EVENTUALLY JOINED BY OTHER TEN JDL MEMBERS. THIS GROUP REMAINED FROM APPROXIMATELY 10:00 AM TO 12:30 PM SINGING, CLAPPING AND OTHERWISE BEING NOISY. POLICE OFFERED REMOVE THEM, HOWEVER, GERMAN OBSERVER'S OFFICE DECLINED, NOT WISHING FILE COMPLAINT. ALTHOUGH DEMONSTRATORS LEFT EARLIER, POLICE (BOTH INFORMED AND PLAINCLOTHES MEN) REMAINED ON 56TH FLOOR UNTIL 3:30 PM.

3. MISOFFI SPOKE WITH ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, GERMAN OBSERVER'S OFFICE, WHO SAID HE SATISFIED WITH PROTECTION AFFORDED BY POLICE AND VERIFIED THERE WAS NO DESTRUCTION OR SERIOUS INCIDENT. ONE DEMONSTRATOR, LAWRENCE FINE,

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COORDINATOR JDL FOUND OPEN DOOR NEAR EMERGENCY EXIT AND
MANAGED ENTER PREMISES AND MADE HIS WAY TO AMB'S OFFICE.
HE WAS DETAINED BY MEMBERS OF OBSERVER'S STAFF AND WHEN
POLICE ENTERED TO REMOVE HIM LEFT VOLUNTARILY. NO ARREST
MADE.

4. ACCORDING TO GERMAN OBSERVER'S OFFICE, THERE WAS NOT SIT-
IN AT GERMAN CONSULATE NEW YORK.

5. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT JDL IS PROTESTING SIGNATURE OF
FRG-USSR TREATY WHICH THEY CLAIM IS EQUAL IN EFFECT TO
MOLOTOV-RIBBENTROP PACT. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT.
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